

**Purpose Of This Form.**

This form is for a permanent resident to apply for a Declaration of Intention to become a citizen of the United States. A Declaration of Intention is not required for naturalization, but may be required by some States if you wish to engage in certain occupations or professions, or obtain various licenses.

**Who May File.**

If you are a lawful permanent resident over the age of 18, you may apply for a Declaration of Intention. You must be in the United States when you file this application.

**Initial Evidence.**

*You must file your application with:*

- A copy of your alien registration receipt card (I-151 or I-551) or other evidence that you are a permanent resident;
- Photos. You must submit 2 identical natural color photographs of yourself taken within 30 days of this application. The photos must have a white background, be unmounted, printed on thin paper and be glossy and unretouched. They should show a three-quarter frontal profile showing the right side of your face, with your right ear visible and with your head bare (unless you are wearing a headdress as required by a religious order of which you are a member). The photos should be no larger than 2 X 2 inches, with the distance from the top of the head to just below the chin about 1 and 1/4 inches. Lightly print your A# on the back of each photo with a pencil. Sign your full name in English on the front of each photograph in pen in such a manner as to not obscure your features.

**Where To File.**

File this application at the local Service office having jurisdiction over your place of residence.

**Fee.**

The fee for this petition is \$70.00. The fee must be submitted in the exact amount.

It cannot be refunded. DO NOT MAIL CASH. All checks and money orders must be drawn on a bank or other institution located in the United States and must be payable in United States currency. The check or money order should be made payable to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, except that:

- If you live in Guam, and are filing this application in Guam, make your check or money order payable to the "Treasurer, Guam."
- If you live in the Virgin Islands, and are filing this application in the Virgin Islands, make your check or money order payable to the "Commissioner of Finance of the Virgin Islands."

Checks are accepted subject to collection. An uncollected check will render the application and any document issued invalid. A charge of \$5.00 will be imposed if a check in payment of a fee is not honored by the bank on which it is drawn.

**Processing Information.**

**Acceptance.** Any application that is not signed or is not accompanied by the correct fee will be rejected with a notice that the application is deficient. You may correct the deficiency and resubmit the application. However, an application is not considered properly filed until accepted by the Service.

**Initial processing.** Once the application has been accepted, it will be checked for completeness, including submission of the required initial evidence. If you do not completely fill out the form, or file it without required initial evidence, you will not establish a basis for eligibility and we may deny your application.

**Requests for more information.** We may request more information or evidence, or we may request that you appear at an INS office for an interview. We may also request that you submit the originals of any copy. We will return these originals when they are no longer needed.

**Decision.** You will be notified in writing of the decision on your application. If your application is approved, the Declaration of Intention will be issued.

**Penalties.**

If you knowingly and willfully falsify or conceal a material fact or submit a false document with this request, we will deny the benefit you are filing for, and may deny any other immigration benefit. In addition, you will face severe penalties provided by law, and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

**Privacy Act Notice.**

We ask for the information on this form, and associated evidence, to determine if you have established eligibility for the immigration benefit you are filing for. Our legal right to ask for this information is in 8 USC 1445. We may provide this information to other government agencies. Failure to provide this information, and any requested evidence, may delay a final decision or result in denial of your request.

**Paperwork Reduction Act Notice.**

We try to create forms and instructions that are accurate, can be easily understood, and which impose the least possible burden on you to provide us with information. Often this is difficult because some immigration laws are very complex. The estimated average time to complete and file this petition is as follows: (1) 5 minutes to learn about the law and form; (2) 5 minutes to complete the form; and (3) 35 minutes to assemble and file the petition; for an total estimated average of 45 minutes per petition. If you have comments regarding the accuracy of this estimate, or suggestions for making this form simpler, you can write to both the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 425 I Street, N.W., Room 5304, Washington, D.C. 20536; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, OMB No. 1115-0008, Washington, D.C. 20503.

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**Part 1. Information about you.**

Family Name	Given Name	Middle Initial
Address - In care of		
Street Number and Name		Apt. #
City	State or Province	
Country	ZIP/Postal Code	
Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)	Country of Birth	
Social Security #	A #	

**Part 2. Processing Information.**

Date you became a permanent resident (Month/Day/Year)

Since you were admitted to the United States for Permanent Residence have you been absent for a period of six months or longer? ☐ No ☐ Yes - Attach a list of departure/arrival dates of all absences

**Part 3. Signature.** Read the information on penalties in the instructions before completing this section. You must be in the United States when you file this application. (Also sign the second page).

I desire to declare my intention to become a citizen of the United States. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that this application, and the evidence submitted with it, is all true and correct. I authorize release of any information from my records which the Immigration and Naturalization Service needs to determine eligibility for the benefit I am seeking.

Signature	Date
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**Part 4. Signature of person preparing form if other than above. (sign below)**

I declare that I prepared this application at the request of the above person and it is based on all information of which I have any knowledge.

Signature	Date
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Print your Name

Firm Name

Firm Address

**FOR INS USE ONLY**

Returned	Receipt
Resubmitted	
Reloc Sent	
Reloc Rec'd	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant Interviewed	
Action Block	
To Be Completed by Attorney or Representative, if any <input type="checkbox"/> Fill in box if G-28 is attached to represent the applicant	
VOLAG#	
ATTY State License #	

U.S. Department of Justice  
Immigration and Naturalization Service

OMB #1115-0008  
Application to File Declaration of Intention

Original to be retained by the Service -

Duplicate to be given to :

Family Name	Given Name	Middle Initial
Address - C/O		
Street Number and Name		Apt. #
City	State or Province	
Country	ZIP/Postal Code	
Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)	Country of Birth	
Social Security #	A #	

Affix  
Photograph  
Here

Not valid unless INS  
Seal applied below

I am over the age of 18 years, have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence and am now residing in the United States pursuant to such admission.

I hereby declare my intention in good faith to become a citizen of the United States and I certify that the photographs affixed to the original and duplicate hereof are a likeness of me and were signed by me.

I do swear (affirm) that the statements I have made and the intentions I have expressed in this declaration of intention subscribed by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Signature of Applicant

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Signature of Authorizing official